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2. "Agricultural equipment:

- (a) Large numbers of plows and plowshares suitable for traction by horses or oxen: Plows weighing 27 or 31 kilos, standard type used in Polish agriculture but slightly improved and adapted to Chinese soil conditions.
- (b) Tractor plows (three or four furrow type) and tractor harrows: - Presumably for distribution to new collective farms in China.
- (c) Fertilizers: - The Chinese orders cover ammonium sulphate, ammonium nitrate and anhydrous ammonia. Poland is not able to supply the ammonium sulphate. It is to be delivered by Leune Werke, in the Soviet Zone of Germany. The ammonium nitrate and anhydrous ammonia are to be supplied by the newly constructed Polish chemical plant at Kedzierzyn.

The orders create difficulties for the Polish authorities. The annual output of those fertilizers in 1953 is alleged to be about 130,000 metric tons. The target of the six-year plan is to obtain 230,000 tons annually towards the end of 1955. The Polish demand for fertilizers is great, in view of the government's agricultural policy. Now China is asking Poland for the delivery of about 35,000 metric tons before mid-1954. This involves the necessity of extending not only Kedzierzyn but all Polish fertilizer plants at a very great speed.

such an extension is not possible and Poland will not be able to export the requested quantities of fertilizer without limiting her internal supplies which would be most undesirable for political reasons. Distribution of fertilizers is one means of promoting collective farming.

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3. "Chemicals:

- (a) Dyes: - A contract has been signed by CIECH [state chemical import-export company] with a Chinese representative for regular deliveries of large quantities of dyes during the next 18 months. This will make it necessary for Poland to cancel some contracts for the delivery of these goods to other importers [not specified] in the Far East. The exports will include: dyes for the textile, leather and food industries, lacquers, paints, printing ink, and multi-coloured dyes called Variamine and Brentamine.
- (b) Plastic powders and compounds: 300-350 tons to be delivered before mid-1954. In particular, Polivinyll chloride, Polish bakelite, Urea-Formalin, acetate and acrylic powders. These are requested by the Chinese radio-electric industry.

4. "Pipes and Steel:

To be delivered before the end of 1954:

- (a) About 12,000 tons of boring pipes for the mining industry (mostly cast iron).
- (b) About 7,000 tons of 'mild' steel sheets for mines, for making well casements;
- (c) About 13,500 tons of hollow drill steel with mining bits, and 'mild' steel constructional and building steel, for the erection of buildings for Chinese mining and industry.
- (d) A delivery of boiler pipes.
- (e) A delivery of high pressure pipes for hydroelectric installations."

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